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5 Claim 1. A diaper adapted for quick changing a
6 wearer comprising a pre-formed body, said body having an
7 integral front panel and a back panel for encircling the body
8 of a wearer, said front panel having a free end, said back
9 panel having a free end, said integral front panel and said
10 back panel having an upper waistband portion, said body
11 including a crotch panel connecting said integral front panel
12 and said back panel, said crotch panel having opposed first
13 and second lateral edges, said first lateral edge forming a
14 first leg opening for encircling the leg of a wearer, said
15 free end of said integral front panel and said free end of
16 said back panel extending between said upper waistband
17 portion and said second lateral edge of said crotch panel,
18 said free end of said integral front panel and said back
19 panel and said second lateral edge of said crotch panel
20 adapted to form a second leg opening, said free end of said
21 integral front and back panels carrying cooperating fastener
22 elements for selectively connecting said integral front and
23 back panels about the waist of a wearer.

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25 Claim 2. A diaper of claim 1 wherein said pre-

1 formed body further comprises an impermeable outer layer and
2 an pervious inner liner for contacting the wearer.

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4 Claim 3. A diaper of claim 1 wherein said
5 waistband portion is resilient.

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7 Claim 4. A diaper of claim 1 wherein said
8 cooperating fastener elements are resilient.

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10 Claim 5. A diaper of claim 1 wherein said lateral
11 edges include an elastic material, said lateral edges adapted
12 to form resilient leg seals.

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14 Claim 6. A diaper of claim 5 wherein said opposite
15 lateral edges are arcuate forming a reduced area of said
16 narrow crotch panel midway between said front panel and said
17 back panel.

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19 Claim 7. A diaper of claim 5 wherein said waistband
20 portion is resilient.

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22 Claim 8. A diaper of claim 7 wherein said
23 cooperating fastener elements are resilient.

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25 Claim 9. A method of applying a diaper of claim 1

1 to a standing wearer including the steps of inserting one leg
2 into said first leg opening, adjusting said diaper so that
3 said crotch panel engages the standing wearer between the
4 legs, wrapping said integral front and back panels about the
5 torso of a wearer, bringing said each free end of said
6 integral front and back panels into contact with each other,
7 and securing said cooperating fastener elements together
8 thereby adjusting said waistband portion about the wearer.

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